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Fishermen and FAF ignore the ban on fishing of mackerel Senegalese



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According to the "Marker", newly appointed to the post of Minister of Maritime Economy of Senegal Pape Diouf canceled 29 permits to fish in Senegalese waters to foreign fishing vessels. First of all, the ban has touched Russian fishermen, namely 10 trawlers group of "Murmansk Trawl Fleet." They extracted a season of about 100 tons of Senegalese fish, accounting for 40% of the total catch of local fishermen. African mackerel is an essential niche in the Russian market of fish. Meanwhile, Russian fishermen and authorities ignore the ban.

Senegalese unhappy with the previous agreements

According to the newly elected President of Senegal Maki Sall, the previous government signed an unfavorable agreement with the Russian fishing companies, in commercial terms, which involved \$ 35 per ton. Senegalese authorities are prepared to terminate any fishery agreement with Russia: they believe that Russian ships deplete fish stocks in their territory, and yet all of Senegal's economy is heavily dependent on fishing.

The final decision was made this week by Senegalese authorities - after a special investigation conducted by local environmentalists. In the course of it, it became clear that the Russian court abused given them permission and collect the harvest, podplyvaya on large trawlers close to shore, where local fishermen are allowed to fish only small networks or fishing rods.

For example, in late February, Greenpeace tracked the 120-meter trawler "Oleg Naydenov", belonging to the company JSC "Murmansk Trawl Fleet-2," in the area closed to fishing. This fact was immediately communicated to the Senegalese authorities. After checking the Department of protection and surveillance of fisheries Ministry of Maritime Economy of

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